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Dear Sir:

TERMINAL DISCLAIMER TO OBVIATE A DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION [37 CFR 1.321]

The undersigned disclaimant, Niall R. Lynam, is the Senior Vice President and Chief Technical Officer of the Assignee and represents that he is empowered to act on behalf of the Assignee identified below.

The Assignee of record, Donnelly Corporation, 414 East Fortieth Street, Holland, Michigan 49423 is the Assignee and owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified application and invention. This application is a continuation of U.S. Pat. Application Ser. No. 09/745,172, filed Dec. 20, 2000, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,717,712, which his a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 09/478,315, which was filed on January 16, 2000, and is now Pat. No. 6,522,451. The Assignment to Petitioner was recorded on February 21, 2002, at Reel 012577, Frame 0113. A copy of the Assignment is attached.

The Disclaimant states that the evidentiary document, namely the Assignment, bas been reviewed, and Disclaimant hereby certifies that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, title is in the Assignee seeking to take the below action.

The Assignee, Donnelly Corporation, hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of any patent granted on the above-identified application, which would extend beyond the expiration of the full statutory term, as presently shortened by any

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terminal disclaimer, of U.S. Pat. No. 6,522,451, which issued on February 18, 2003, and hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the above-identified application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that the legal title to said patent shall be the same as the legal title to U.S. Patent No. 6,522,451, this agreement to run with any patent on the above-identified application and to be binding upon the granter, its successors or assignces:

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Patent No. 6,522,451 in the event that it later: 1) expires for failure to pay a maintenance fee;

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Date:

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